



St Joseph's Primary School Gayndah

2015 Term Two

Week One

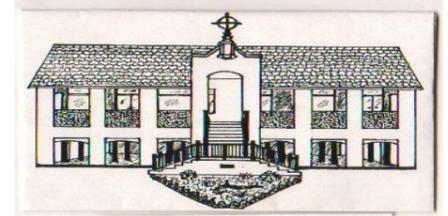
Newsletter Date

Wednesday

22 April 2015



Principal's Letter to Parents



Dear Parents, Guardians, Caregivers and Friends,

Welcome everyone to the second portion this first semester. I hope the holiday period was an enjoyable one for yourself and your family. With the cold weather upon us our attention turns to a huge term full of special events and celebrations. With next week's newsletter I will be sending a hard copy version of the planned school and parish based events ahead in Term 2. By doing so, parents will have the big picture available to them at a glance. If you know of any upcoming community events that you feel would be beneficial to parents and our school community being aware of, I would greatly appreciate it if you could send me all the details via the school office before the close of business next Monday so as to have them added.

It was always the intention in 2015 that we take the parent information sessions to another level following their introduction last year. Given that we have already provided parents an insight into the school wide spelling, reading and numeracy structures that currently exist, our first session on **12 May** will be a teacher lead, hands on experience that will inform parents of all the key components that currently exist with our English blocks and how they function on the whole.

English blocks take place four times per week for all year levels and run simultaneously across the school during the middle session. Whilst timing for each of the key components varies amongst the classes, the core literacy development and learning experiences remain the same. The upcoming session will provide parents with the opportunity to not only hear about what happens, but experience the learning activities first hand to better understand how best to support the development of your child. Additionally it will empower all in attendance to build stronger partnerships with the classroom teachers around their child's reading, writing and spelling development now, and into the future.

The session will run for an hour and I would encourage all parents to come along. If you are unable to make the session and would like to know more, please make a time with your classroom teacher or myself to learn more about this vital stage in your child's development.

Have a great week everyone.

Ben



From the APRE....



A Prayer for the ANZACS.

God of love and liberty,
we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy,
which was won for us through the courage and devotion
of those who gave their lives in time of war.
We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain,
but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come.
That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church Centenary

On Saturday 18th April, St. Joseph's Church celebrated 100 years as a place of worship. There were more than 150 people in attendance and a wonderful day was had by all. Archbishop Mark Coleridge lead a celebration mass, and was assisted by 7 current and former priests of the Parish. After mass a lunch was held on the grassed area of the school under a large number of tents. A big thank you to all those staff, students and families who assisted and attended the mass to help make it such a great success.



Project Compassion

During Lent, this year we spent time recognising the importance of **Food for Life** with the Caritas Project Compassion campaign. To help raise funds for this worthy cause children put money in classroom Project Compassion boxes, had a delicious fish and chip lunch and some students did their own fantastic fundraising efforts. After all the funds have been tallied, we will be sending Caritas a cheque for **\$782.05**. Congratulations St. Joseph's on a fantastic fundraising effort. These funds will assist Caritas projects in many countries throughout the world.



Anzac Day

This Saturday 25th April we will mark ANZAC Day. This year we will also reflect on the fact that it is 100 years since the landing at the Gallipoli Peninsula which marked the beginning of World War I for the Australian Imperial Forces. The students will be taking part in numerous in class activities this week to learn more about the significant sacrifice of men and women in times of war to ensure lasting peace. We will mark this occasion as a whole school on **Friday at 2pm** with an Assembly in the Hall.



Junior Girl Guides will be selling Anzac biscuits after assembly on Friday. Biscuits will cost \$3 a packet, and all funds raised will go to Legacy. We would really love to have a strong representation of St. Joseph's students at the March on Saturday. We will gather outside the courthouse at 9.30am, for the march to begin at 10am. Those families wishing to attend the Dawn Service, it will begin at 5am at the Cenotaph.



What's On

Friday 24th April—2pm—ANZAC Assembly—Hall
Thursday 30th April—9am—Class Mass—Year 4
Thursday 30th April—Gunther Village—Year 1/2
Friday 1st May—9am Assembly—Year 5/6

Attention Dance Crew

Dance Crew will be starting this Thursday April 23.

Juniors (Prep-Year 3) – 3.15-3.45pm
Seniors (Years 4-6) – 3.45-4.20pm

Remember to wear comfortable clothes and shoes. I look forward to seeing you there!

Miss Lake



OFFICE NEWS:

- St Mary's Equestrian Competition **30 April**. Nomination forms are available at the office.
- Our school photo day is **Monday 27 April**. Envelopes were sent home yesterday, and are due back by **8th May**. **Please ensure you notify the office by this Friday if you are wanting sibling photos taken.**
- Deadly Ears forms need to be returned by **Monday 4 May**.

BREAKFAST CLUB: Donations of peanut butter, eggs, honey and promite would be appreciated.

P & F NEWS:

- Sausage sizzle and street stall **this Friday afternoon**, 3.45pm outside of the Guardian Pharmacy. Funds raised support our Festival Queen Entrant Georgia Melville.
- Our next tuckshop day is **Thursday, April 30**. Orders are due back to the office by Monday 27 April.
- Next meeting date is **Tuesday 12 May**. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like something discussed, please email our P & F president Laura Parr: laura@glen grove.com.au
- Uniform order forms for Term Two are available at the office, or let us know if you would like one sent home with your child.

SPORT: North Burnett Cross Country next **Friday 1st May** in Biggenden.

Calling all Dancing Queens...

“THE MUM PROM”



When: Saturday 2nd May, 7pm

Where: Gayndah Town Hall

Cost: \$30 Includes one free drink on arrival and nibbles.

What: A fundraiser for our Festival Queen entrant Georgia Melville. Come and enjoy a fun evening dancing the night away to hits from the 70s through to the present day.

Tickets go on sale this Friday outside of the Guardian Pharmacy. They are also available from the school office or on the night.

Lucky door prize, raffles, various give-aways, and the Crowning of the Prom Queen!



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 Glorify God”**

**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL TERM
 DATES 2015**

<u>Term One</u>	<u>Term Two</u>
Wed 28 Jan— Thurs 2 April	Tues 21 April— Fri 26 June
<u>Term Three</u>	<u>Term Four</u>
Mon 13 July— Fri 18 Sept	Tues 6 Oct— Fri 4 Dec
Monday 20 April—Pupil Free Day Monday 8 June—Public Holiday Monday 5 Oct —Public Holiday Monday 19 Oct—Pupil Free Day	

Diary of Coming Events

Fri 24 April Sausage Sizzle & Street Stall	Sat 25th April ANZAC Day
Mon 27 April School photos	Sat 2nd May The Mum Prom
Tues 12 May P & F Meeting 7pm	12—14 May Naplan

Community Notices

TENNIS HOT SHOTS: Do you want to become a Tennis Hot Shot? Friday afternoon at the Gayndah Tennis complex, Barrow Street, is the place to be. Come and join the Tennis Australia's National program conducted by Tennis Professional, Kevin Banner and the Gayndah Tennis Association, with lots of fun & games to suit all levels. The program commences Friday 1st May 2015. Times: 3.30pm-4.15pm (5-7 years); 4pm-5pm (7-10 years); 5-6.30pm (9-12 years); 6.30pm- 8pm (Advanced & High Schoolers). **Registration is essential - (confirmation to join the program must be given for old and new players)** to guarantee your spot with Kevin: 4152 0753 / 0409 520753

JUNIOR SOCCER: Junior soccer season kicks off in Gayndah **Thursday 30th April:**

Open to all Junior players including high school. Training Thursdays 4 -5 pm Gayndah Sports field. Fee's only \$25 per player/season. Come and have a go!!

SOUTH PACIFIC TAEKWONDO: Held at the Gayndah State Primary School every Tuesday and Thursday 6pm. Our classes include: family classes, children classes age 5 & up, adult classes, stranger danger and anti bullying, increase coordination and discipline, weight loss and stress relief, build your self confidence and self control. Unlimited training plus free uniform offer. You don't have to be fit, flexible or have any prior experience! South Pacific Taekwondo is suitable for anyone of any age. Reach your goals with us! For more information contact 4724 1000 or www.southpacifictkd.com.au

KICK ON

**Gayndah vs The World
 SOCCER GAME**

Friday, May 1
Starting at 6pm
Gayndah Sportsgrounds
FREE Aussie BBQ